

Ontologies and material culture in indigenous hunter-gatherer groups: can we identify ontologies in the past?

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08:45 - Gathering and coffee

09:15 - Opening remarks

09:30 - **Session 1: Classifications** Chair: Ella Assaf

Species and individuals during the Middle Magdalenian.
Clément Birouste

The use of bivalves by the earliest modern humans: a view
from psychotherapy. Daniella E. Bar-Yosef Mayer and
Lenore Steinhart

Gift from the Ancestors: Selection and Collection of Fully
Patinated Blanks for the Making of items at Qesem Cave,
Israel. Bar Efrati

Terminal Pleistocene visual menageries – an example from
Grotta Paglicci. Dana Shaham

11:00 - Coffee break

11:15 - **Session 2: Interactions** Chair: Dana Shaham

An ontological perspective on human-elephant relationships,
past and present. Ran Barkai

Human-horse interactions in the Paleolithic period from an
ontological perspective: Stories in the round. Ella Assaf

Late Natufian human-environment interactions – insights from
intentionally deposited artifacts. Leore Grosman

Birds flying high: the LPPNB site of Nahal Roded 110.
Michal Birkenfeld, Uzi Avner and Liora Kolska Horwitz

12:45 - Lunch break

14:00 - **Session 3: Understanding the practices** Chair: Michal
Birkenfeld

Beyond economic logic: extraction and preparation of animal-
based foods during the Palaeolithic. Sandrine Costamagno
and Clément Birouste

An engraved boulder from the Early Upper Paleolithic of
Manot Cave. Omry Barzilai, Ofer Marder and
Israel Hershkovitz

Figurative and non-figurative imagery from Epipaleolithic
contexts at Ein Qashish South, Jezreel Valley, Israel:
interpretations and implications regarding site function.
Alla Yaroshevich, Ofer Bar-Yosef, Elisabeta Boaretto, Valentina
Caracuta, Noam Greenbaum, Naomi Porat and Joel Roskin

Yardsticks: ethnological trends in religion, applied to the
Epipalaeolithic-Neolithic Levant. Conn Herriott

Underground mazes - use patterns of complex karstic caves
during the late prehistory of the southern Levant.
Micka Ullman

16:00 - Coffee break

16:15 - Discussion

Note:

15 minutes allocated for each individual talk and 20 minutes
for the opening talks of each session.

Short discussion (Q&A) after every talk and general discussion
at the end of the day.

